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SUBJ: ALLEGED KILLING OF U.S. SOLDIERS BY AUST/N.S. SOLDIERS

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AUSTRALIAN PRESS OF JULY 18 ADDS NEW AND EVEN MORE BIZARRE ASPECT TO STORY AS CALLER TO MELBOURNE TELEVISION STATION ALLEGED HE PARTICIPATED IN REPORTED OR SIMILAR INCIDENT.

STORY VARIES IN THAT AUSTRALIAN INFORMANT ALLEGES THEY WERE FIRED ON FIRST AND RESPONDED THAT THEY THEN RETURNED FIRE DESTROYING A HUT KILLING A NUMBER OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS AND INSIDE THE HUT THEY FOUND THREE DEAD VIETNAMESE WOMEN WHO HAD BEEN TORTURED AND RAPED.

PRESS ALSO REPORTS STATEMENTS FROM NEW ZEALAND THAT N.Z. INVESTIGATING INCIDENT AND THAT MINDEFF WILL NOT GRANT INDEMNITY TO ANONYMOUS CALLER.

SYDNEY MORNING HERALD QTS. WASHINGTON SOURCES AS SAYING
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THEY HAVE CHECKED RECORDS OF 300 MISSING AMERICAN

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SERVICEMEN IN SVN AND IN NO CASE WHERE 6 MEN MISSING ON THE
SAME DAY, IN THE SAME PLACE UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES. UNQTE.

AUSTRALIAN MINDEFF SPOKESMAN TOLD PAO HE FELT AUSTRALIAN
CALLER WAS A HOAX AND UNDERSTOOD CALLER HAD NOW MADE SECOND
COMMUNICATION CHANGING DATES OF INCIDENT FROM 1972 TO 1969.
SPOKESMAN WAS OF THE OPION THAT HOAXER WAS PUTTING OUT
ANTI-AMERICAN STORIES REMINISCENT OF RECENT BROWN ATTACKS
ON AMBASSADOR.
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